

1997-2002 KENTUCKY PLAN

NEW PROGRAMS UNDER QUANTITATIVE WAIVER

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The statutes establish the council's responsibility to approve the offering of new academic programs (KRS 164.020(14)) and also limit (KRS 164.020(18)) an institution's eligibility for new academic programs by the requirement that an institution meet its equal opportunity objectives. The statutes do give the council authority to grant a temporary waiver if an institution demonstrates progress in meeting equal opportunity objectives. The administrative regulation, 13 KAR 2:060, establishes the criteria used to determine an institution's compliance with equal opportunity objectives, and for the granting of a temporary waiver to a state-supported postsecondary education institution which has not met its objectives.

The administrative regulation identifies three ways an institution may be eligible to approve new degree programs or to have new degree programs considered for approval:

- Automatic eligibility: continuous progress in three of four objectives in *The Kentucky Plan*.
- Quantitative waiver: continuous progress in two of four objectives in *The Kentucky Plan*.
- Qualitative waiver: the submission of information in support of outstanding efforts that were attempted which have not yet proven to be successful.

Attachment A lists the institutions that implemented new programs under the quantitative waiver status.